Sample CANDIDATE REFERRAL FORM	
This form must be submitted by the referring employee to the applicable Human Resources Office pri issuance of a competitive selection certificate or prior to management's noncompetitive selection of the candidate.	
Name of the candidate referred:	
Title, grade and vacancy announcement number of the position to which the candidate is referred (if applicable):	
Name of the employee making the referral:	
I certify that I meet all eligibility criteria as specified under "Eligibility". I do not have a relationship candidate which violates 5 U.S.C. 3101, 5 CFR 2635.502, 18 U.S.C. 208, 5 CFR 451.105, or any other federal statute or regulation.	
Referrer's Signature Date	
HR Specialist Name and Date Received: (The Human Resources Office w	ill complete)
If the referred candidate is selected, this section must be completed by the applicable managem	ent officials:
Justification that the position is hard-to-fill:	
Selecting Official's Signature Date	
I certify that the employee's performance is at least at "Meets Expectation" level after one year of em	ıployment.
Award Amount	
Justification for the award amount:	
Recommending Official Signature Date	

## Privacy Act Statement

Date

Approving Official Signature

Agencies may establish awards under 5 U.S.C. 4503 and 5 CFR 451.106. Signing this form is voluntary, but failure to sign it will preclude payment of the award. It will not, however, affect the nominee from being appointed to a position offered by the Department of Energy. The use of this form is by applicable management officials and staff supporting administrative, payroll and accounting, human resource, and equal employment opportunity functions to verify proper awards processing and record-keeping to support the use of Government funds, ensure equitable treatment, monitor and oversee the use of the incentive and report the use if requested by oversight entities.

The official copy of this form will be maintained in a file labeled "Referral Bonus Award" or other similar title. The resulting SF-50 Personnel Action will be included in the OPM/GOVT-1 General Personnel Records system. Other copies may be maintained by your Departmental Element, such as by your supervisor and finance office, which is appropriate under the OPM/GOVT-1 records system.